

REMARKS

The above amendment is supported in the application. In particular, U.S. Pat. No. 6,296,638, which is incorporated by reference in paragraph 67 describes a malleable shaft. Accordingly, no new matter is added by this amendment.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at (408) 736-0224.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R. Batt', with a stylized flourish extending to the right.

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